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PROGRESS IN FINANCE.

the political history of the United some process of natural selecion take up one difficulty after an tention at the same time, but the peo one that needs attention est, and thresh it out, and generally

in the minds of students for put the United States forward as the ns it would greatly prefer the right and which has been wrong. cople had been so accustomed to the We cannot, he thinks, "be content to

ith almost the rapidity of the creasing burden of taxation, is not, of

gency currency based upon bonds. This flection of this feeling. The feeling nd-secured currency had been Probably in the long run a great navy et until he has no doubt given up on the fact that the President's last message contained only 165 words. Well, hard times have hit most of the from the Senate, and it appeared as a matter of fact, the major ity of the banks prefer no legislatio:

between the Aldrich bill and the Fowbetween the Aldrich bill and the Fow-ler bill, or between the bond-secured currency and asset currency. The latest information we have on the question is that Mr. Vreeeland, of New York, has proposed a bill in the House, which, while it adopts some provisions by municipal bonds, proposes in a new section the creation of an agency for the handling of ordinary assets o banks, including commercial paper Under this section "groups of national banks, not less than ten in number, and having an aggregate capital and surplus of at least \$10.000,000, mag this condition for the superb form associations to be known as Na-Under this section "groups of national tional Clearing-House Associations, and may elect officers, etc., and any bank belonging to such association may deposit and assign to the association in trust such securities, including cointriust such securities, including cointrius such securities. trust such securities, including commercial paper, as may be satisfactory to the officers of the association, and thereupon may receive bank notes to an amount not exceeding 75 per cent. of the cash value of the securities so

This is the main contention of the whole Fowler scheme. If that is adopted, even though it be associated with other provisions of the Aldrich bill. the principle of the fight for the asset currency will have been substantially won; and in finance the day that that provision becomes a law should be celebrated like a new Fourth of July. It is most encouraging to learn that the President and Secretary Cortelyou both approve the provisions of the Vreeland bill. It really begins to look as if the United States will at last get out of the forty years' wandering in the wilderness of the bond-secured cur-

THE COST OF HOSPITALITY.

The Times-Dispatch has already pointed out some of the rocks in the path of the Byrd law, and yet despite our painstaking warning, good citizens

are stumping their toes. Now comes

Rushred Silcott, of Hamilton, Loudoun kind of Gentle Anniemosity. our painstaking warning, good citizens

Rhymes for To-Day ginia and the stern powers of the Byrd

drunkard. Even had these

he might well have done as

high.

for relief go up.

contemplate.

his case, however, good intentions came

diate judicial investigation. Under the

law as it stands, any justice of the

peace can put an end to alcoholic gifts

on prohibited days, and the time has

come for the Supreme Court of Vir-

cus is also dies non potabilis. From

Alexandria and Hamilton strong eries

FOUR MORE DREADNAUGHTS?

"Fighting Dick" Hobson told Con-

gress the other day, presumably as

comething significant and important,

that if the United States had had \$50,-

000,000 worth of first-class battleships

at the moment, she could have com-

toin Hobson left his hearers to under

would have been the proper thing to do.

His remark appears more or less typi-

A repugnance to Old World militar

would naturally grow with the navy,

in this country could mean nothing less

Contemporaries comment wonderingly

Weil, hard times have hit most of the great industrial plants of late, and there is really nothing surprising in the fact that they should have curtailed the output of the greatest language factory in the world,

The Detroit paper which joshes Mr

matters. When wise statesmen go to political dinners they are invariably

accompanied by nine feet of impromp

tu oratory and a suitcase full of lunch.

The editor of the Ohio State Journa

But It is a safe bet that Thomas Wat-

son will get a whole lot more fun out of the campaign than Charley Fair-banks will,

The Merry Widow hats of Royal Richmond are all right. What we need now is a bigger town.

Eddie Foy will not play "Hamlet" af-ter all. By this we mean, to preclude the possibility of any misunderstand-ing, that Eddie is not goifig to try.

If George Eliot were alive to-day, we

hardly see how she could avoid bringing out "The Divorce-Mill on the Floss."

It is harder to keep a French noble-one away from a roll than it is to pry a Washington baseball team loose from

A Washington Herald headline

tions "How the Beef Trust Worl How? Pish! "Whom" is the word.

liave a care, wives. A Kansas City man fell dead while mowing his lawn

By the way, if the Dingley schedule is going to be revised by its friends, why are they its friends?

the tailend reservation.

than a great war.

BY THE SANDS O' DEE. thought to the latest qualification of O NCE, my dears, about this sesson,
I adored a sweet young silly,
And determined for that reason
She should have an Easter lily.

But the Hly-long I sought it: I had mon and I would spend it, So I found the best and bought it, And the lady clerk said: "Send it?"

a State institution, a minor or habitual I, who'd credit with the florist, Gave the street address, and sput-

tered for the name in style the poorest— "Hem—Miss—C. O' Dec," I muttered. pense hospitality ungrudgingly. In enclosed a card, and hot it Was with love-words-beauty!

But 'twas C. O. D. she got it, And her papa paid the duty.

so she wrote: "I'm not the right one For you-from your heart just shut me." And they published me a Tight One Till my own half-brothers cut me.

That's why, dears, the marriage that's why, dears,
chasm
Never claimed your Uncle Billy,
Why I swoon off in a spasm
When I whiff an Easter lily,
H. S. H.

MERELY JOKING.

"Hello, Brown, what are you building ar

The Other Relative.

Instruction?

program of the big-navyites seems to the passengers;
From this point the road is only accessible to mules and donkeys; I must therefore usk the gettlemen to get out and proceed on foot."—The Catholic News. But the President, in his special mes age asking Congress for four new battleships, instead of the two already

The street car conductor was about to sli fown to breakfast, when a messenger boy grought him a telegram announcing that a ich relative had died and that he was the

Lawyer (examining juror): "Do you understand the difference between character and reputation?"

Juror: "Reputation is the name your neighbors give you; character is the one they take from you."—Pick-Me-Up.

"Yes," said Mrs. Nexdore, "my daughter is very persevering in her piano playing. Do you notice that she's improving?"
"No," replied Mrs. Peppery, "and I also notice that my husband's temper isn't."—Philadelphia Press.

THE DAILY HAMMERFEST.

M ISS BEULAH HAWKINS, a Texas young lady, has been asleep for fifty-eight days. Down there they refer to her as the Richmond P. Hobson boom.—New York Mail.

United States Senate has lost a great many able men. It has managed not only to survive, but to increase in prestige. In the circumstances it can probably find a way to get along without Mr. Aldrich if he decides to retire.—Washington Post.

Wizard Burbank would be a dangerou man to nominate for a political office. He could make two votes grow where on one grew before.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat

Says the Omaha Bee: "Dr. David Jayne Hill is credited with having meintained a dignified silence about his Berlin appointment. What else could he do?" Not a thing in the could he do?" Not a thing in the could be given to thirty-nine intimate friends.

Pulpwood exported from Canada to the United States in 1905 amounted to 593,624 cords, valued at \$3,500,814; in 1907, 628,744 crds, valued at \$2,748,901.

The one thousandth anniversary of the founding of St. Peter's Church, Chester, Eng., finds the structure in good condition, portions of it having been rebuilt in 1440 and 1673.

Bryan on the ground that he "had rather talk than eat," evidently is not well informed as to conditions in these

and 1673.

Denatured alcohol to the amount of 1,744,72 gallons was produced in the United
itates during the first six months of 1907.
The free alcohol law took effect on January
, 1907.

1. 1907.

Mrs. Lucy Burris, owner of two fine farms near Wabash, Ind., was fined one cent for assault and battery against one of her tenants, and went to jail in preference to paying the fine. Extensive alterations are being made in

the official residence of Williams College— the president's house—to receive the new head of the institution, Harry A. Garfield, in June.

in June.

King Edward and Queen Alexandra of England, though far from being the oldest of the royal couples, have been married for more years than any other pair of crowned heads in Europe.

The richest Indian in the world is Lon Hill, of Harlington, Tex. His wealth is cruservatively eatimated at 33,500,000. He forty-rine years old, devoted to his wife and children, and graduated in the law department of the University of Virginia.

Jewish chess players have retained the Javish chess players have retained the championship at that game for the past lorty-two years. Dr. Lasker attributes this predominance of the Jewish genius in chess to the fact that its rules are entirely haved upon those of self-defense in the struggle of life, and Jews are adepts in this art

His Happy Time.

It will not be long until pride begins to inflate the chest of the fortunate small boy who is selected to take case of the bats of the home baseball team. -Denver Republican.

It was a new Republican party that issued out of the Academy, a party that stands more for the best interests of the negro. Democratic as we proctain ourselves to be, we are glad that the foe that Democracy runst fight has put itself on a higher plane. It took forty-three years to do, but it is done, and the whole State will be the better for it.—Lynchburg Advance.

Opposition Party Needed.

Won't Take the Risk,
Senator Foraker says he lost his religion
when he read the newspaper accounts of the
Virginia Republican convention at Lynchburg hast week. It isn't hard for a man to
lose his religion in politics, particularly
when the other side gets all the delegates.
And, most unfortunate of all, the insurance
companies do not write policies on the religion of politicians.—Harrisonburg News.

INVENTED LANGUAGES.

Made-Up Gibberish.

Ten years age, when "Hog Latin" was on the tongue of every schoolboy, the youngsters who asked. "Owha ouya llesma?" thought they were talking along original lines in a kind-of gibberish indigenous to their American youthfulness only: but the subterfuge to attain unintelligibility was in reality a very old device. It is scarcely too strong to say that the adding of the same consonant to the end of a word has been known from time immemorial.

Hotten, a diligent old antiquarian.

to "the language of Ziph," which De Quincey learned as a boy from Dr. Mapleton, whose three sons had acquired it at Winchester. Fifty years later De Quincey conversed fluently in it with Lord Westport. The key of this "language," which was imparted to every Winchester boy for half a guinea, was the repetition of the yowel sound of every syllable, with a G inserted. Thus, "Shall we go away in an hour?" became, "Shagall wege go' agawagay agin gan hougour? Bishop Wilkins, of Chester mentioned this "language" in 1668 in a learned work, and it was an old device in his time.—Sunday Magazine.

FOREIGN POLICE METHODS.

Comparison of Methods Employed in London and Berlin.

to those of Eerlin? On the face of it, yes—according to the Prussian Home Minister, who states that out of 118 capital crimes reported to the Berlin capital crimes reported to the Berlin conding according to the latest had remained endetected, "whereas had remained to the proportion of such crimes, of which the proportion of the latest statistics, the proportion of the latest statistics and the latest statistics and the latest statistics are remained in the latest statistics and the latest statistics are remained in the latest statistics and the latest statistics are remained in the latest statistics.

to that at the disposal of Scotland Yard.

Among the items of that machinery are the "identity papers," which everyman and woman in Prussia must carry about with them, and, above all, the system of registration at hotels, lodging houses, etc., which is all communicated to the police. The problem in Prussia is to reconcile the claims of personal liberty with those of social and national security, and in England we are inclined to subordinate the detection of the assassin to the freedom of the subject.

The Englishman has a curious distike of giving official information about himself—bis age, occupation, last place of residence, and more particularly his religious label. It is a rather mysterious distike for a man who is a rather mysterious distike for a man who is a shamed of none of these things. And the detectives point of view is, of course, that the man who is really ashamed of these things should be compelled to disclose them. And it seems a reasonable view.—Exchange.

Struggle of life, and Jaws are adepts in the struggle of life, and Jaws are adepts in this art.

Dr. and Mrs. H. R. L. Worrall, medical missionaries of the Dutch Reformed Church, who are stationed in Arabia, have arrived in New York. They have come to America to attend a meeting in commensuration of the late Dr. Jacob Chamberlain, who was for forty-nine years a missionary of the Reformed Church in India.

Long Hours and Accidents.

In reply to charges made by the Social Democratic niembers of the Diet of the German Empire that accidents are caused by too long hours of stervice, Dr. Schultz, president of the Rallway Bureau, said that the accident statistics showed that much the larger number of accidents occurred not in the later hours of the workmen's day's service, as would be the case if due to overfatigue, but in the earlier hours, when the men were fresh.—Philadelphia Record.

Itis Happy Time.

Magazines for the Army.

The Woman's Army and Navy League is making additional request for how sarmy and Navy League is making additional request for how sarmy and Navy League is making additional request for how sarmy and Navy League is making additional request for how sarmy and Navy League is making additional request for how sard may arrived in the Woman's Army and Navy League is making additional request for how sard may and Navy League is making additional request for how sard may and Navy League is making additional request for how said the well as all the wold in the soldiers in the Philippines, Al
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Historic Grave Opening.

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The opening of the Druce grave recalls many rather grewsome stories of disturbance of the dead. George IV., for Instance, once invaded the vaults of Windsor Castle, had Charles I's comn opened and the "martyr's" head held up for his inspection. Milton's comn was opened by three drunker rufflans, who appropriated several of his teeth, and for some time later his body was exposed to the gaze of the vulgar at sixpence a head, a charge which was afterward reduced to three-pence and twopence, or even a pot of heer. Cromwell's head was removed from his grave at Tyburn to be exhibited for years on the top of Westminster Hall. One stormy night it was blown down from this "had eminence" and was picked up by a sentry, who hid it in a chimney corner. In later years it was barlered by one and another owner until it came into the possession of a Dr. Wilkinson. In 1774 Edward I's tomb was opened and his body, in its regal robes, exposed to view, and a similar fate befell the remains of Edward IV. Henry IV. and the Second James.—Dundee Advertiser.

He Won His Bet.

Thomas Nelson Page, while riding down a country road in one of the Southern States of America, met an old negro leading a horse, and laughing as only a negro can.
"Sam," said Mr. Page, "what's th

lose his religion in politics, particularly when the other side gets all the deterring when the other side gets all the deterring and, most unfortunate of all, the insurance companies do not write policies on the religion of politicians.—Harrisonburg News.

The Navy and the Election.

The bully explanation we can find for the imperial naval program now being urged is that it's a good card to play on the eve of a precidential election when thousands of merchanics are idle and the various private and government yards are almost out of work. It is a play to the labor voto, pure and simple.—Danville Register.

Gerdon vs. Cnrlin.

Mr. Gordon, who has the reputation of being one of the shrewdest polliticians in the state, seems to have grown desperate in the state, and the state of the

An Odd Joh.

Caruso, the great tenor, told at a dinner in New York how he once tried to write a grand opera.

"It was in early youth that I made this attempt," he said. "I knew nothing of harmony or counterpoint. The work in consequence was as ludierous and absurd as—as—"

The tenor laughed.

"—as the Roman's effort to get a job." he went on.

"A Roman peasant, you know, applied one day for work to a rich man. The rich man said:

"Have you got a boat?

"Yes sir,' the peasant answered.

"Well,' said the rich man, do you see that driftwood floating down the Ther?"

"Yes sir,' was the reply.

'Yes sir,' was the reply. "Yes sir," was the renly.

"Well, take your boat, row out in the river and catch that driftwood and I'll give you half of all you get."

"The peasant jumped into his boat and worked hard for awhile.

"Then suddenly he stopped and made for the shore. On being asked the reason for his return he scowled and gold."

reason for his feture he scowed and said:

"That wood is just as much mine as it is his. I am not going to give him any, so here I am, out of work again."—Rehoboth Sunday Herald.

Hawks Benefit to Farmer.

Fortunately the economic status of American hawks and owls does not rest upon mere theory or general assertions without proof. Bulletin No. 3 of the Biological Survey deals with the food habits of hawks and owls of the United States, and is based upon examinations of nearly 2,700 stomachs. Such large series of the more common-species were examined that further investigations can but conditm and emphasize the present vertice—that American hawks and owls, as a whole, are among the best friends of the farmer and that only a few species are more harmful than beneficial.



California John

"John," called the fatsupervisor in a half-choked voice. "Yes, Sir," replied the old

"When you get through that, saddle up and go down and work on that Clay Banks'

The clay banks were down at the thousand foot level. At this time of year the thermometer stood, every day, well above a hundred.

"And sizzle there, you meddling old fool!" mettered Supervisor Plant under his

It would appear to us that Supervisor Plant was giving the United States Government the "double cross." There are others.

"California John" is the first of a series of stories, by Stewart Edward White, dealing with the Federal Forest Reserve.

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Speaking English in Japan

Tokyo.

The visitor to Japan is immediately struck by the universal ambition of the people to learn the English language. The Japanese recognize the fact that English has become the universal coin-current of conversation, and they are determined to possess it.

Taking a walk through a public park in Tokyo, an American's cars are greeted by the familiar "Strike one!"

"Ball three!" "Safe!" The umpire is clad in the kimono of his needs.

Hatching Ostrich Eggs.

Ustrich eggs are being hatched in an incubator in this city. A novel eggs hatching is being carried on at the store of Crenshaw Bros. on upper Franklin Street. Thirteen fine ostrich eggs from the recently established Tampa Ostrich Farm have been placed in an incubator and they will hatch off some time early in May.

It takes an average heat of 107 degrees and forty-five days of constant exposure to such heat to develop the gern in an ostrich egg and hatch a young ostrich. The eggs are worth \$20 each, and it is a conservative eastly with the students, but the newcomer is always interested. The boys have the grees and forty-five days of constant exposure to such heat to develop the gern in an ostrich egg and hatch a young ostrich. The eggs are worth \$20 each, and it is a conservative earned to be on the lookout for the number-necked stranger. Let him stop window in some section of the city of th stant exposure to such heat to develop the germ in an ostrich egg and hatch a young ostrich. The eggs are worth \$20 each, and it is a conservative estimate to say that the young bird will be worth more than twice that money after it has passed the first month of its existence.

Some idea of the size of the eggs may be gathered from the fact that the "Mandy Lee" incubator, which is being used for the hatch, would hold 146 average hen eggs. Fourteen of the ostrich eggs would fit it completely. An empty estrich egg holds just one quart of liquid. This is the first attempt at ostrich hatching in Tampa.

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Fortunately the economic status of American hawks and owls does not rest upon mere theory or general as:

Eyen those boys who are too poor

of the farmer and that only a few species are more harmful than beneficial.

The most formidable of the bird enemies of field mice are the crows, and it may be of interest to know that complaints received at the Department of Agriculture of recent depredations of field mice are especially numerous from sections of the country where for several years past bountles have been paid for killing crows.

Our Oldest Page 1. Nord. Shopkeepers put up English signs, some of them ludicrously fund, no, and the imperial and municipal signs over the doors of all public institutions. The money of Japan also bears English inscriptions, as well as native characters.

It has been within the memory of young men now living that the greatest of Japanese scholars declared that entire the provided and the provided and

in the content of the

the unniktakable evidence of American influence. There are several different editions of "The Life of Rooseveit." and books which hide their mysteries under the cryptic Chinese characters declare their origin by the half tone cover pictures of Washington Benjamin Franklin, General Grant Lincoln, Bryan, Gladstone, Napoleos and other great men of the Occident.

The great majority of books translated from English into Japanese art of a scientific or technical character, Many standard English novels have been trafslated, but many more art to be found in editions for the student of English, containing copious foot notes in Japanese. In this way the Japanese student is introduced to the delightful romances of Gir Walter Scott and to the stirring tales of adventure from the pen of Alexander Dumas, coming from the French vit the Heightful romances of Gir Walter Scott and to the stirring tales of adventure from the pen of Alexander Dumas, coming from the French vit the English. The influence of Western Herature is making liself fell uper Japanese writers, and many movel are appearing which take English fiction for a model of construction. Heretofore Japanese poetry has been confined within the narrowest possible limits of mechanical formalism, the custom requiring that a poem must consist of either thirty-one or sixteen syllables; no more, no less.

The agitation in favor of abolishing the use of Chinese characters by law, and of substituting the Roman alphabet has resulted in the introduction of a bill in the Diet, but it will be many years before the change will come about. The radical difference between the spoken and written language of Japan makes a phonetic rendition which will one day relegate the Chinese characters from everyday use to the limbo of the classics.

Everyday use of English is increasing more rapidly than exact knowledge of correct grammar and orthography, and the result is a multiplication of the classics.

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vertically, and their English legend underneath.

Its humor is so coarse and broad that it would not be permitted to circulate in America, and it is condenined by the higher class of Japaness newspapers as indecent and scurrilous. However, it has a big circulation, in politics it is "agin the government," and it does not hesitate to attack anything short of the throne. In a recent issue there was a cartoon showing the prime minister and the minister of finance seated in a carriage, their faces distorted as if in terror, reading a newspaper. Above were portraits of the late King and Crown Prince of Portugal, and underneath this legend: "Marquis Salonji and Mr. Matsûda, who raised the taxes, read the news of the Portuguese assassination." Some

the Portuguese assassination." Some of its attacks on the prime minister, although printed in English, are so vile that their exact character may not even be hinted at.

The usual "English as she is spoke" curiosities may be seen everywhere in Japanese cities. "Ferrules and hee here" is a puzzler until one finds that "ferrules" is a free rendering of "fuel." "Beef and hen met here" is the sign over a butcher shop, "Centrifugalized milk" is milk from which

in Tokyo, an American's ears are greeted by the familiar "Strike one;"
"Ball three!" "Safe!" The umpire is clad in the kimono of his people, one nine dresses in uniforms from an American sporting goods house, the other in native costume, but the game is good American baseball, and it is always conducted in the English language.

The study of English is compulsory in the high schools, and is being gradually introduced in the elementary schools also. A few years from now English will be spoken in every part of Japan, and it will be the national business language. The zeal of the high school boys is remarkable, Americans or Britishers who have lived here for some time become impatient with the students, but the newcomer is always interested. The boys have learned to be on the lookout for the rubber-necked stranger. Let him stop rubber-necked stranger. Let him stop rubber-necked stranger. Let him stop rubber-necked stranger.

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To-morrow—The Theatre in Japan.

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